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<p>1. A Soviet border sector headquarters was stationed in SALZWEDEL (M 53/Y 27) on 15 November 1949. German border guard police employed in this area were checked by Soviet border patrols at irregular intervals.</p> <p>2. a. The Soviet border guard detachments in DEDELBEN (M 53/D 18) VELTHEIM (M 53/D 08) and RHODEN (M 53/D 08) were replaced by stronger detachments, each numbering 40 to 50 young soldiers, between 9 and 11 November 1949. The 10 to 15-man detachment in ROHRSHEIM (M 53/D 18) was not relieved.</p> <p>b. Three 76.2-mm AT guns arrived for the border guard troops in the HESSEN (M 53/D 08) area on 11 November 1949. The guns were towed by trucks, loaded with ammunition boxes and bazookas and</p>	

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c. Soviet border guard detachments of 30 to 40 men each were still stationed in DEDELBEN, VELTHEIM and RHODEN on 11 December 1949.

d. A border guard detachment had been transferred from GOEDDECKEN-RODE to LUETTGELNRODE (M 52/C 97) in late November 1949.

e. Since late September 1949 the relief of border guard detachments has not been effected simultaneously. EM were replaced at intervals of about two weeks, officers at intervals of about four weeks.

f. Almost all officers and sector NCOs wore guards badges. Most of the EM were young soldiers.

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